CASE NUMBER: 15SN0622 APPLICANT: Talley Sign Company



STAFF'S ANALYSIS AND RECOMMENDATION

Board of Supervisors (BOS)

Public Hearing Date:

APRIL 29, 2015

BOS Time Remaining:

365 DAYS

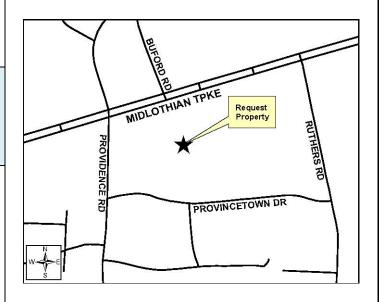
Applicant's Agent:

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Planning Department Case Manager:

RYAN RAMSEY (804-768-7592)

CHESTERFIELD COUNTY, VIRGINIA Magisterial District: MIDLOTHIAN



APPLICANT'S REQUEST

Conditional use to permit an electronic message center (EMC) sign in a General Business (C-5) District.

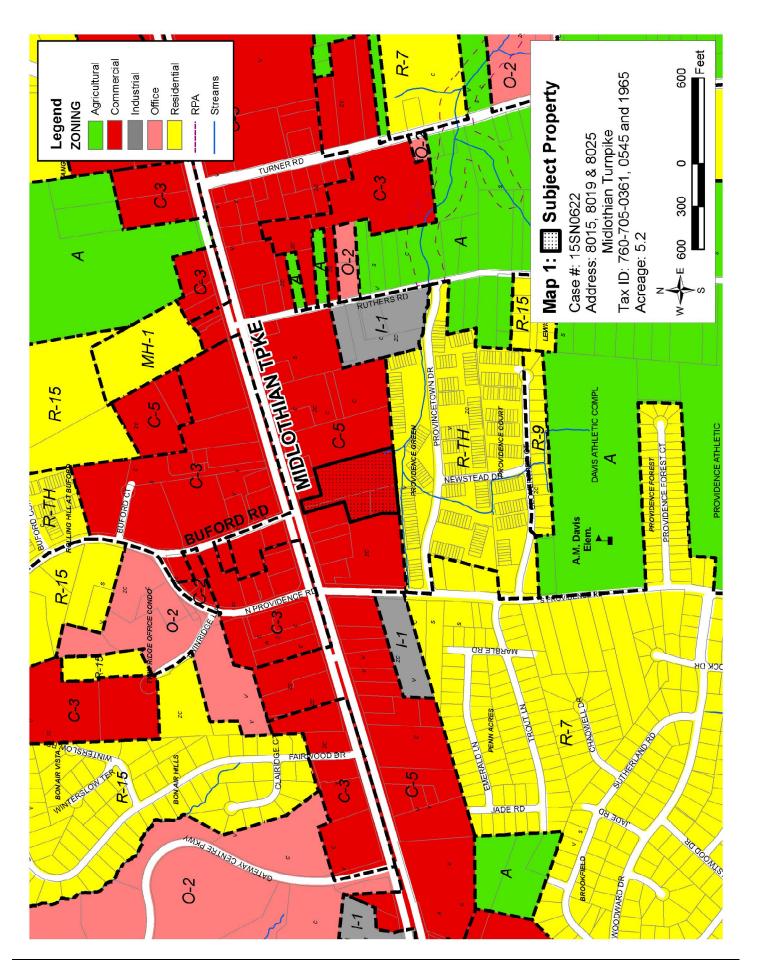
A computer-controlled, variable message, electronic sign, incorporated into a freestanding sign for a self-storage business is proposed.

(NOTES: A. Conditions may be imposed or the property owner may proffer conditions.

B. A proffered condition is located in Attachment 1.)

RECOMMENDATION		
PLANNING COMMISSION (3/17/15)	As proffered, the sign conforms to the adopted Electronic Message Center (EMC) Policy	
STAFF	Conforms to the adopted Electronic Message Center (EMC) Policy	

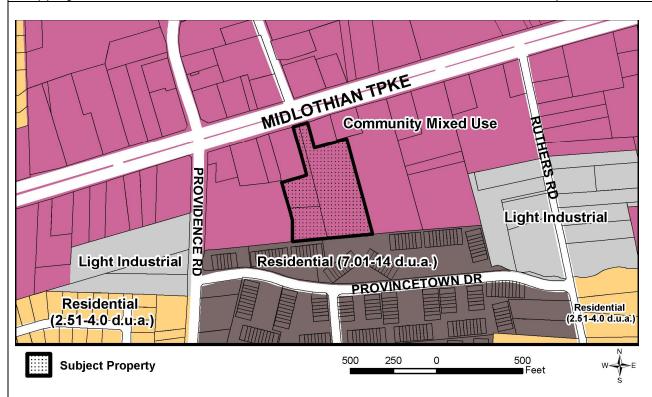
SUMMARY OF IDENTIFIED ISSUES		
Department	Issue	
PLANNING	-	
FIRE	-	
CDOT	-	
VDOT	-	
UTILITIES	-	
ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING	-	



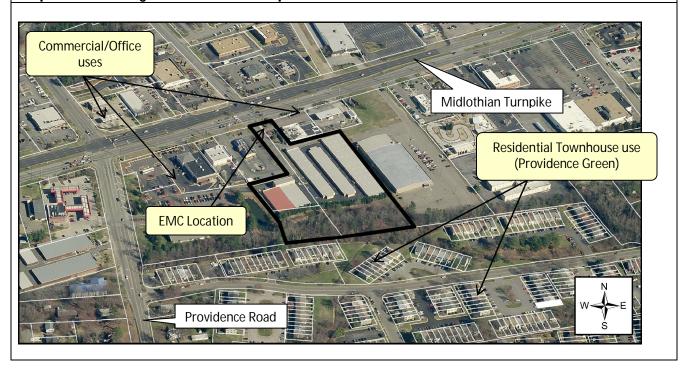
Map 2: Comprehensive Plan (Eastern Midlothian Plan)

Classification: COMMUNITY MIXED USE

The designation suggests the property is appropriate for community-scale development including shopping centers, other commercial, and office uses (not to include residential development).



Map 3: Surrounding Land Uses & Development



PLANNING

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ZONING HISTORY

Case Number	BOS Action	Request
65-26 C	Approved (04/1965)	Rezone from A to C-2 (Tax ID 760-705-1965)

PROPOSAL

The applicant plans to retrofit an existing freestanding sign with an electronic message board to identify a self-storage business (Attachment 2). The proposed sign would comply with the size and height requirements of the Ordinance which currently permits a freestanding sign fifty (50) square feet in area (not including changeable copy) and fifteen (15) feet in height.

The following provides an overview of the proffered condition offered by the applicant to mitigate the impact of the sign on area properties, as well as the location of the nearest EMC signs:

General Overview		
Requirements	Details	
Copy Lines	Maximum of three (3) lines	
copy Lines	Proffered Condition	
Frequency of Message Change	30 Second Minimum	
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Sequential Messaging	Prohibited	
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Flashing or Travelling Messages	Prohibited	
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Bijou Lighting or Animation	Prohibited	
	Proffered Condition	
	Architecturally designed sign that is compatible and	
Sign Design	complimentary to the building it serves	
	Proffered Condition	
	Not exceed 0.3 foot candles above ambient light as	
	measured at a distance of seventy-one (71) feet	
Brightness	 Require a photocell to adjust sign brightness, based 	
	on ambient light conditions	
	Proffered Condition	
Nearest Existing EMC Signs	 Sprint (1,805 feet to the west, Route 60) 	
inearest existing civic signs	 Pearson Honda (3,310 feet to the east, Route 60) 	

As proffered, the applicant's request complies with the Electronic Message Center (EMC) Policy.

PUBLIC FACILITIES

FIRE SERVICE

Staff Contact: Greg Smith (804-706-2012) smithgd@chesterfield.gov

Nearby Fire and Emergency Medical Service (EMS) Facilities		
Fire Station	The Buford Fire Station, Company Number 9	
EMS Facility	The Forest View Volunteer Rescue Squad	

This request will have minimal impact on fire and EMS.

COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Staff Contact: Jim Banks (804-748-1037) banksj@chesterfield.gov

County Department of Transportation has no comment on this request.

VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Staff Contact: Brian Lokker (804-674-2384) brian.lokker@vdot.virginia.gov

VDOT Land Use Regulations		
Traffic Impact Analysis (24VAC30-155)	-	
Access Management (24VAC30-73)	-	
Subdivision Street Acceptance (24VAC30-91/92)	-	
Land Use Permit (24VAC30-151)	-	
Summary	VDOT has no comment on this request.	

WATER AND WASTEWATER SYSTEMS

Staff Contact: Jamie Bland (804-751-4439) blandj@chesterfield.gov

The proposal's impacts on the County's utility system are detailed in the chart below:

Water and Wastewater Systems			
Currently Size of Existing Line Connection Required by County Code? Serviced?			
Water	Yes	6"	Yes
Wastewater	Yes	8"	Yes

Additional Information:

Freestanding signs shall be located outside of recorded utility easements. The proposed request will not impact the public water and wastewater systems.

ENVIRONMENTAL

Drainage, Erosion and Water Quality
Staff Contact: Doug Pritchard (804-748-1028) pritchardd@chesterfield.gov

Environmental Engineering has no comment on this request.

	CASE HISTORY	
	Applicant Submittals	
1/9/15	Application submitted	
1/9/15	Proffers were submitted	
Planning Commission Meeting		
3/17/15	Citizen Comments No citizens spoke to this case. Commission Discussion The Commission noted their support for this case:	
	As proffered, the sign conforms to the adopted Electronic Message Center (EMC) Policy	
	Recommendation – APPROVAL AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE CONDITIONS IN ATTACHMENT 1	
	Motion: Waller; Seconded: Brown	
	AYES: Gulley, Waller, Brown, Patton and Wallin	
The Board of this request.	Supervisors on Wednesday, April 29, 2015, beginning at 6:30 p.m., will consider	

PROFFERED CONDITION

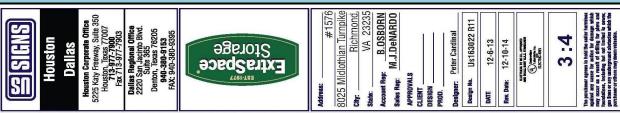
Note:

"STAFF/CPC" – Recommended by both staff and Planning Commission

(STAFF/CPC) In addition to Ordinance requirements any computer-controlled, variable message, electronic sign shall conform to the following standards:

- a. Copy shall be limited to a maximum of three (3) lines and shall not move but may fade;
- b. The message or display shall be programmed to change no more than once every thirty (30) seconds;
- c. Sequential messaging shall be prohibited;
- d. Flashing and traveling messages shall be prohibited;
- e. Bijou lighting and animation effects shall be prohibited;
- f. The electronic message center shall be incorporated into an architecturally designed sign structure that is compatible and complimentary to the building it serves; and
- g. Brightness shall be limited so as not to exceed 0.3 foot candles above ambient light as measured using a foot candle meter at a distance of seventy-one (71) feet. The sign shall have a photocell that automatically adjusts the brightness according to the ambient light conditions. (P)

SIGN ELEVATION



HIS DESIGN AND ENGINEERING IS SUBMITTED AS OUR PROPOSAL, AND THE RIGHT TO USE OR EXHIBIT IN ANY FORM, IS NOT AUTHORIZED WITHOUT WRITTEN PERMISSION BY US SIGNS.

